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TO: ALL SURETY COMPANIES DOING BUSINESS IN CALIFORNIA

SUBJECT: SURVEY OF BAIL BOND BUSINESS FOR THE YEARS 2003, 2004 & 2005.

As per California Insurance Code sections 730, 733 and 12924, the California Insurance Commissioner shall examine the business and affairs of an insurer. Pursuant to section 730 (c), the Commissioner may examine or investigate any person or business that, in the Commissioner's discretion, is necessary or material to the examination of the insurer. Additionally, pursuant to section 12924 (a), the Commissioner is authorized to issue subpoenas for witnesses to appear, testify and produce documents before him, on any subject touching insurance business, or in aid of his duties.

Pursuant to these statutes, we are asking that data for bail bond business be filed by all California licensed Surety insurers that transacted bail bond business in 2003, 2004, or 2005. This reporting requirement may be continued in future years, to be filed annually.

If your company wrote bail bond business in any of these three years, please complete the report forms and return them to our office by March 31, 2006. The forms are available as a downloadable form on the Department of Insurance website at "http://www.insurance.ca.gov". When you have completed filling out the forms, please save it on a diskette and send us a copy of the diskette and a print out of your report.

If your company did not write bail bond business in all three calendar years (2003, 2004 and 2005), please fill out and return the SIGNATURE PAGE indicating that your company has "No Data" to report.

If you have any questions regarding the completion of the forms, please call Ms. Larissa D. Kosits at (415) 538-4132, or E-mail to <u>rsb@insurance.ca.gov</u>. Thank you for your cooperation.

Very truly yours,

George Yen Chief, Rate Specialist Bureau